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Few surprises in election results

By Shauna Gustafson and Michelle Jones
Staff editors

While most candidates in Tuesday's primary election were running uncontested and received 100 percent of the vote, candidates are now beginning to prepare for the general election in November.

Coles County State's Attorney candidates Democrat Steve Ferguson, who ran as an incumbent, and Republican Preston Owen, both received 100 percent of their respective parties' votes and are now looking to the future.

Ferguson said he plans to continue performing his job as state's attorney, and plans to make public appearances around the county while campaigning.

"The main thing is to just keep on working ... hopefully voters will look at that and feel that is worthy of re-electing me," Ferguson said.

He said his goals for the office, if he wins the election in November, will be to continue the work the office is performing now. He also said he would like to work more on getting cases ready for trial and working more on child abuse cases.

"I'd like to encourage continuing legal education for all the attorneys in the office," Ferguson said.

Ferguson has been in his position since 1992 and ran unopposed in 1996.

Owen is running for the first time for the office of state's attorney. He said he plans to carry on traditional campaigning, including meeting with constituents and being available at local events such as the county fair.

One of Owen's main goals, if he wins the November election, is to bring better order and organization to the office.

He also said he wants to join with authorities in the fight against methamphetamines. He said getting rid of drug labs and educating the public is key.

"There needs to be some crackdown on (the drug production)," Owen said.

He said working with the East Central Illinois Drug Task Force needs to be a priority for the State's Attorney's office.

Owen also said he would like to focus on domestic and juvenile cases because juveniles can very rarely be arrested. Prosecution and processing is needed to stop juvenile crime, he said.

Owen's mother served as the State's Attorney from 1980 until 1992. In 1992 she did not run for re-election.

Owen said he is running for State's Attorney because things are not currently being accomplished in the office and changes need to be made.

"I feel I am the person to do that," Owen said.

In the Circuit Clerk race, Vicki Kirkpatrick ran unopposed on the Republican ballot and



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John Ziebka, a senior at Charleston High School, drops voters' ballots into the ballot box in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union walkway on Tuesday afternoon. Ziebka started work at 5 a.m. and will get paid \$100 for his services.

Brenda McKinney Cooper ran unopposed on the Democratic ballot.

Cooper knows that in order to win an election, it is important for candidates to let the people know who they are and what they are doing.

"I need to work on getting my name out there," Cooper said.

In order to inform the citizens of Coles County that she is in the running, she plans to

walk in parades, get signs out and go door-to-door to talk to people.

She has already attended fund raisers and attended Democratic Booster Club meetings.

Cooper believes she would perform well in the position because of her experiences in Coles County.

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Missing student located

By Shauna Gustafson
Administration editor

An Eastern student, who was reported missing in late February, has been located by Charleston police.

Chris Colletti, a 20-year-old sophomore with a double major in history with teacher certification and journalism, from Lake Villa, has used his ATM card and has written a check since the beginning of March, said Lt. Rick Fisher of the Charleston Police Department.

"We've established enough contact with (Colletti); we are going to take him out of the computer as a missing person," Fisher said.

Fisher said Colletti used his ATM card on March 6, which requires a pin number to be accessed. He also said Colletti had written a check at the beginning of March, and the police department compared the signature on the recent check with previous checks Colletti wrote and the signatures matched.

Fisher said Colletti is out of the state, but could not comment on an exact location, because Colletti has not contacted his family and does not want them to know his whereabouts.

"He's obviously not wanting to contact them," Fisher said. "I think there is some emotional baggage with his parents."

He said because Colletti legally is an adult, the police department cannot tell his parents where he is, and if Colletti wants to contact his family, it would be solely on his terms.

The missing persons report was filed on Feb. 26 after Colletti's family had not heard from him since he had contacted his sister on Dec. 11.

Fisher said he spoke with Michelle Colletti, Chris Colletti's mother, Tuesday to let his family know he had been located.

Michelle Colletti declined comment.

Faculty elections held today and Thursday

Atglance

Faculty election voting

Today

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday

8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.

* All voting will take place in the bookstore lobby of the Martin Luther King University Union.

By Shauna Gustafson
Administration editor

Faculty elections will be held today and Thursday for seats on all faculty committees.

The voting will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday in the bookstore lobby of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Faculty Senate members will work the polling at the booths.

Five Faculty Senate members' terms are over at the end of the semester. Of the five only Gary Canivez, an associate professor of psychology, is running for re-election. Bonnie Irwin, Faculty Senate chair and an associate professor of English; Nancy Marlow, professor of management and marketing; John Allison, professor of English; and Gail Lockart, associate professor of early elementary and middle-level education, are not seeking re-

election.

Running for the open seats are Canivez; Doug Brandt, physics professor; David Carpenter, English professor; French Fraker, professor of counseling and student development; Martha Harris, assistant professor of special education; and Anne Zahlan, professor of English.

The Council on Academic Affairs has three members whose terms end this semester. Of the three, two will not seek re-election.

Jill Owen, associate professor of physical education, will seek re-election, while Bill Addison, CAA chair and professor of psychology, and Tim Mason, associate professor of economics, will not.

Running for the vacant positions will be Owen; Julie Dietz, a faculty member in health studies; John Kilgore, professor of English; Marlow; and Anita Shelton, chair of

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Gore, Bush win expected victories

CHICAGO (AP) — Al Gore cruised to victory in Illinois' Democratic primary Tuesday, while George W. Bush showed some signs of weakness on the Republican side.

Although Bush won easily, about one-third of GOP primary voters supported other candidates. Political analysts said that suggests Bush is vulnerable, and the Bush campaign conceded he still has to win over supporters of former candidate John McCain.

"We may have a little bit of work to do," said John Pastuovic, a spokesman for Bush's Illinois campaign.

With 90 percent of precincts reporting in the Republican primary, unofficial returns showed Bush with 423,715 votes, or 67 percent, and McCain with 139,602 votes, or 22 percent. Alan Keyes had 56,041 votes, or 9 percent.

On the Democratic side, with 91 percent of precincts reporting, Gore

had 632,458 votes, or 84 percent, while Bill Bradley had 107,189 votes, or 14 percent.

In primary races around the country a week ago, Bush never got less than 74 percent of the vote. His Illinois showing suggests some GOP voters are dissatisfied, said former Chicago Alderman Dick Simpson, who now teaches political science at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

That could mean trouble in the fall, when he faces Gore on the left and likely Reform Party candidate Patrick Buchanan on the right, Simpson said.

"That means Bush has to overcome the McCain split and he's attacked from the right by Buchanan, who can be very effective on the stump," he said.

Chris Mooney, director of the Illinois Legislative Studies Center at the University of Illinois at Springfield, agreed that Bush has

ground to make up. But he cautioned that the Texas governor has plenty of time to woo former McCain supporters and conservative Democrats.

"He can change himself completely. Come October, he could be the centrist candidate and Gore could be the crazy liberal," Mooney said.

Pastuovic said the McCain support shows those voters have not dropped out of Republican politics. Bush still can win them over, he said.

"They are going to be moved by his message and moved to support him," Pastuovic said.

To some degree Tuesday's presidential contest was less a primary than an early skirmish in the general election.

It's no coincidence that both Bush and Gore visited Illinois shortly before the election, even though the outcome of the primary was not in doubt. They were trying to build support for the fall in a key state.

Atglance

Coles County presidential primary results

Republican ballot

George W. Bush
69.97 percent/2,071 votes
Gary Bauer
1.15 percent/ 34 votes
Alan L. Keyes
9.9 percent/293 votes
Steve Forbes
1.15 percent/34 votes
John McCain
17.84 percent/528 votes

Democratic ballot

Bill Bradley
13.28 percent/236 votes
Al Gore
85.65 percent/1522 votes
Lyndon H. LaRouche Jr.
1.07 percent/19 votes

Elections

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"I have lived in Coles County most of my life. I think it's a good place to live," she said. "I enjoy working with the public, serving the public."

Kirkpatrick has been in office since 1992. Until November, she plans to continue working as she has been and participate in events throughout the county.

"I will continue operating the office in a professional and efficient manner," she said.

She thinks the campaign will be a good, friendly campaign. Although she does not like the expenses of campaigning, she does enjoy campaigning.

"I like being out in the public, meeting people. I enjoyed the parade and the fair in the summer," Kirkpatrick said.

Kirkpatrick has been involved in the county

for the past 25 years, and she enjoys it immensely.

"I enjoy working with the court system on a daily basis," Kirkpatrick said. "It's interesting and fun."

State Rep. Dale Righter ran uncontested on the Republican ballot for the 106th representative district seat and received 100 percent of the vote. No candidate ran for the position on the Democratic ballot.

For the Congressional representative in the 19th Congressional district, incumbent Democrat David Phelps ran uncontested as did general election competitor James "Jim" Eatherly, who received 100 percent of the vote on the Republican ticket.

In the race for state senator in the 51st legislative district, Republican N. Duane Nolan and Democrat Stephen F. John both received 100 percent of the vote while running uncontested.

Julie A. Curry ran uncontested on the Democratic ballot for General Assembly repre-

sentative from the 106th representative district and received 100 percent of the vote while no one ran for the position on the Republican ballot.

Incumbent Mike Nichols ran for county coroner of the Democratic ballot, receiving 100 percent of the vote. No contestant ran for the position for the Republican party.

Janice K. Eads won 67.33 percent of the vote in the only contested local race of the running as a Republican for the ninth district of the Coles County Board. Her opponent, Thomas C. Michael received 32.67 percent of the vote.

Other county board results include Republicans Tim Yow (District 3), Tim Gover (District 4), Mark Degler (District 5) and Stephen Witmer (District 12) all receiving 100 percent of the vote in uncontested elections. Democrats Robert Webb (District 5), John French (District 6), Patsy L. Black (District 11) and Ray Allen (District 12) all received 100 percent of the vote in uncontested elections.

Faculty

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the history department.

The Council on Graduate Studies has one opening from the College of Sciences and one opening from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences.

For the opening in the College of Sciences Frank Goldacker, associate professor of clinical services, and Mike Havey, professor of psychology, are running.

From the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Waldo Born, associate professor of accountancy and finance, and Ping Liu, professor of technology, are running.

The Council on Teacher Education has one opening for technology, family and consumer sciences, and no candidates. It has one opening for physical educa-

tion, and one person running, Kevin Hussey, associate professor of physical education. The council has one opening from communications disorders and sciences, economics, political science, psychology and sociology/anthropology, and no candidate. There is one seat open from the College of Education and Professional Studies and one candidate, Mary Greenlaw, assistant professor of secondary education and foundation.

The Enrollment Management Advisory Committee has one opening and one candidate, Terry Perkins, professor of speech communications.

The University Personnel Committee has one opening from the College of Education and Professional Studies and two candidates, Lynda Kayser, professor of counseling and student development, and Susan Woods, professor of health studies. There is one

opening from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences and one candidate, Lola Dudley, professor of accountancy and finance. There is one opening in the College of Sciences and two candidates, Max Kashefi, professor of sociology and anthropology, and James McGaughey, associate professor of biological sciences. There also is one at large spot with one candidate, Gail Mason, professor of speech communication.

The Academic Program Elimination Review Committee has one opening from the physical education, leisure studies and health studies departments and two candidates, Marietta Deming, professor of health studies, and William Russell, assistant professor of physical education. There also is one opening from the library, counseling and education departments, and no candidates.

The Admissions Appeal Review Committee has one open-

ing from the College of Arts and Humanities, and no candidates.

The Sanctions and Termination Hearing Committee has one opening from the College of Arts and Humanities and no candidates. There is one opening from the College of Education and Professional Studies, and one candidate, Barbara Powell, assistant professor of counseling and student development. The also is one opening from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences and no candidates.

The Council of University Planning and Budget has one opening from the College of Arts and Humanities and one candidate, Carpenter. There is one opening from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences, and one candidate, Hank Davis, associate professor of accountancy and finance. There also is one opening from library and media services, and no candidates.

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Eastern's fixed plant now giving off steam

By Julie Bartlow
Campus editor

Eastern's coal-burning steam plant, which has been in need of repairs for six years, will again provide the campus with steam for heating, food preparation, dish washing, domestic hot water and cooling.

The campus steam production plant, which is located on Seventh Street south of the water tower and across the street from Park Place Apartments, can produce 333,000 pounds of steam per hour.

Ted Weidner, director of Facilities Planning and Management, said in an e-mail that Eastern received a \$1.725 million grant funded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs and the Office of Coal Development and Marketing.

"We applied for a grant and were successful," he said. "We repaired the baghouse, controls, upgrades to the fuel gas desulfurization system (pollution control equipment), and we suspended operation following a baghouse fire in late 1994. The fire resulted from poor combustion controls; they have been completely rebuilt."

The steam plant was constructed in 1924 with an addition in 1968. It was originally operated on coal and did so up until 1969, Weidner said.

"By the mid-'80s, natural gas prices increased to the point where it became more economical to burn coal again," he said.

"Pollution control equipment was added, (the steam plant) burned coal for a while, experienced some problems, and now (Facilities Planning and Management) have resolved them."

"It is a very economical way to provide steam to the campus to support the educational mission."

Ted Weidner,
director of Facilities Planning and Management

In the fall of 1994, a major equipment failure caused the coal burning operation to shut down. At that time, there was an insufficient budget to make the necessary repairs required to return to coal burning, and so the plant resorted to its stand-by boilers, which are fired with natural gas.

Weidner said the steam plant will use native Illinois coal to produce steam.

"The entire university benefits as well as the state economy, because more coal miners are employed," he said.

Eastern will continue to use this operation in the future, Weidner said.

"It is a very economical way to provide steam to the campus to support the educational mission," he said.

Weidner also said Eastern is the only university that uses this type of operation.

"We are unique," he said. "We are the only university with a dual-alkali fuel gas desulfurization system."



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John Romack, a stationary steam plant engineer, adjusts a proxy switch for the ash line on the roof of the Flu Gas Desulfurization building Tuesday afternoon.

Alumna finds niche as sales representative

By Michelle Jones
Staff editor

A job that pays off commission and does not offer a steady paycheck is frightening to some, but to others it is the ideal job.

Sheila Billerback, a sales representative for U.S. food services, has had to learn to save for hard times and not to live paycheck by paycheck; however, she welcomes that challenge.

In fact, the reason she became a sales representative was because she wanted to get paid for how well she did.

"I wanted to get paid for what I was worth, and sales is the best avenue," Billerback said.

Money is the underlining drive in a career, Billerback said. Her past jobs offered great money and great perks, but nobody appreciated how much money she made for the companies.

Sales is different, she said. "You get your sense of appreciation with sales," Billerback said.

Billerback has been in sales for one year. She graduated Eastern in

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1986 with a degree in journalism and a minor in public relations. First she tried out various journalism jobs such as working as a reporter and as a copy editor in Peoria. She also worked in marketing at a company in Peoria.

Then she traveled a great deal and worked in the casino business. She moved from Illinois to Mississippi to Louisiana and is now located in Las Vegas. She opened up four casinos in six years, but then she got tired of that line of work.

"Once you open up a casino, it's like did it, done it," Billerback said.

Billerback was tired of sitting behind a desk everyday; she loves the fact that she can be out on the streets everyday in sales.

"Sales is a big party," Billerback said.

In sales, Billerback makes a lot of money doing something she enjoys. She makes money from simply

being social with people and from her relationships with her customers, she said.

Customers buy from people in sales who they know, like and trust, she said.

Billerback sells food to a variety of places including: campus dining halls, bars and grills, nursing homes, nursery schools and on the street.

She visits customers every day. She takes their orders, samples their products, brings them literature about foods and takes care of their problems.

The biggest responsibility in sales is to the customers, Billerback said.

Sales representatives need to be a consultant because customers look to them for ideas, she said.

Most importantly, in her job, Billerback has to make her customers happy and ensure they are getting what they need.

"I'm selling them things at a price where I'm making money, and they're still making money (selling the items to their customers)," Billerback said.

There is never any day where

Billerback does not want to go to work, she said. She works between 50 and 60 hours a week. She loves the fact that she makes her own hours and her boss never bothers her.

As much as she loves her job, it still has its disadvantages compared to her other jobs.

"Too many people's mistakes affect my income," Billerback said.

"I have no control over that, and I've always been in control in other jobs."

Several situations affect Billerback's paycheck, she said.

"When the warehouse screws up, the driver's late and the customer's mad or the driver drops something, when purchasing doesn't have food — too many people screw up," Billerback said.

Billerback treasures her education at Eastern. People who went to Eastern are loyal to the school, she said.

"Eastern's a great school. I love it," Billerback said. "People laugh, 'You still talk about your alma mater.'"

Her favorite memories of Eastern revolve around her work at *The Daily Eastern News* where she was

city editor and administration editor. She loved the people at the paper and still keeps in touch with them.

"Working at the paper — that's your own family," Billerback said.

Professors at Eastern taught Billerback a lot and impacted her life.

David Reed, a journalism professor, is wonderful, Billerback said. He was a great adviser and was very supportive in his students' journalism endeavors. Even if students decided not to pursue a career in newspaper, he was still supportive, she said.

Joe Heumann, communications professor, was another instructor Billerback liked.

"I had a crush on his brain," she said.

Billerback still supports Eastern's endeavors and hopes students today will have fond memories of the university as well.

"Treasure your education at Eastern," Billerback said. "I'll always be a continued supporter ... to give back to the university because I got so much from the university and *The Daily Eastern News*."

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A small price to pay

Technology has become one of the essential parts of the classroom environment. Unfortunately, increasing technology in Eastern classrooms takes money and students need to be willing to shell out the extra funds to ensure they are receiving the best possible learning experience.

The recommendation of a \$5 increase in the technology fee was approved by the Student Senate Tuition and Fee Review Committee last week. If approved by the Student Senate, the increase would raise the current \$28 fee to \$33. While this may seem like a hefty price tag for a technology fee, it actually is below what many state university students currently pay.

Technology fee

An increase in the student technology fee could allow for more equipment, thus enhancing education at Eastern.

The fee increase will go toward equipment for classrooms, software for academic departments and

upgrades for some departmental computer labs. For some departments, these are much needed items.

Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, said at the committee meeting that better equipment will mean better education. Hencken is right. Both instructors and students need the latest, up-to-date equipment to benefit from the education process.

Few careers exist that require little or no computer skills. Students need to leave Eastern with skills that will have them on the cutting edge when they enter the job market.

Last year, more than \$650,000 for specific software for classrooms was requested and only \$100,000 was distributed, according to Alan Baharlou, chair of the student technology subcommittee. Unfortunately, only seven of the 26 interdisciplinary departments that requested money received funds.

Compared to some state universities, the only one receiving less money for technology from student fees is Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

It's time for Eastern to catch up to other universities in terms of technology. The extra \$5 will do nothing but benefit the students and prepare them for the future.

■ The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Today's quote

The imperatives of technology and organization, not the images of ideology, are what determine the shape of economic society.

John Kenneth Galbraith,
U.S. economist, diplomat, author, 1908-

Media giving more gossip than news

Does anyone besides me wonder why one of the biggest stories in the news these past few days has been that the Oscars were stolen and now have been found?

For all the Hollywood junkies out there, I am sure it is a big deal that these sacred awards turned up missing shortly before Hollywood's big night, but don't we have more important things to worry about?

Here we are in the middle of a primary season that could lead to one of the most interesting presidential elections in recent years and I have been inundated with information about the stolen Oscars.

I will admit I usually tune into the Academy Awards each year with great anticipation as to what movie will win the esteemed Picture of the Year award, but I am much more concerned about who I should vote for in the general election in November. And there are about a million other things that have a higher priority on my list than what happened to the Oscars, but that still doesn't change the fact that some news programs have put stories about the missing statues above more important stories on their nightly newscasts.

One of the elements of newsworthiness is whether something is interesting. The fact that the Oscars were stolen definitely is interesting, but there are many other elements that the story doesn't quite have. For example, relevance.

It may be relevant to some people that the Oscars were stolen. I'm sure all the nominees were worried about whether they would be awarded the prized statue if they were the chosen one. Al Gore's and George W. Bush's stances on important political issues seem far more relevant, though, because they have the ability to make changes impacting each and every American citizen's life.

The fact that America is enthralled by the story of the stolen Oscars should be a surprise though. It's only natural



Meghan McMahon
Editor in chief

"Gossip has always been one of the lifebloods of conversation, but it has gone too far when we need to get our gossip from the news ..."

that the same country that became infatuated with the O.J. Simpson trial and the outcome of the "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire?" television program would become obsessed with the Oscars story.

Gossip has always been one of the lifebloods of conversation, but it has gone too far when we need to get our gossip from the news just to have something to talk about at the

proverbial water cooler the next day.

Stealing the Oscars was a crime — and crimes are news — but did anybody hear about the six teen-agers picking up trash along an interstate in Nevada as part of a program allowing young offenders not to serve jail time for non-serious offenses? The six teen-agers were killed when a woman plowed into them with a mini van. Because she was suspected of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol, this was a crime too, but I haven't heard as much about that story as I have about the Oscars.

And what about the standoff in Maryland? Has anybody heard about that? Yet another crime with much more serious repercussions than the stolen Oscars and people would still rather hear about the theft instead of the hostage situation.

It seems like America has gotten thrown off track. Instead of caring about the news that is important to us, we would rather listen to interesting gossip about the who's who among American celebrities.

Have you heard? Madonna's pregnant again. If she leads the nightly news tonight, I am going to crawl into a cave and watch CNN for the rest of my life.

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Workers can provide for other countries

With the Marxist worker's state, a franchise for rational living will be broadened to the outer-boundaries of working-class society, therefore, the ruling workers will provide a keen response to all of humanity and its needs simply because education, agriculture and manufacture will be firmly in its hands.

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Letters to the editor

economies a combination of subsistence-techno living will be taught by (worker's state) missionaries, thereby lightening the many tasks of worker's society at large. The effect of worker's revolution upon morbid capitalism (dialectical fascism) will be the same that bourgeois revolution had upon decrepit monarchism (dialectical religionists) e.g., as monarchical imperialism (inter-penetration of peoples) ended bourgeois imperialism began (inter-penetration of economies). So to as institutionalized bourgeois imperialism ends proletarian imperialism (dialectical materialist) will begin (interpenetration of people and economies with communist ideas).

However, worker's imperialism will differ in as much that rather than benefiting an institutionalized few with police-state powers, the many participating in democratic worker's rule and production shall evolve to the next stage of imperialism; institutionalized socialism, as the remaining subsistence societies go extinct, the end of imperialism. Institutionalized socialism will be followed by democratic socialism, then institutionalized communism and then pure communism. Pure communism (classless society) affords the ultimate liberation from negative aggression and capitalist exploitation.

The above is a very brief outline of irresistible permanent revolution.

Michael Strange
Charleston resident

Academic calendar, student affairs top Faculty Senate discussions

By Joshua Niziolekiewicz
Staff writer

Vice President for Student Affairs Lou Hencken and Dean of enrollment management Frank Hohengarten attended the Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday to answer questions about the academic calendar and discuss issues of student affairs.

Many faculty senate members were concerned about having enough time to turn in final grades at the end of a semester.

"Most universities allow a reasonable amount of time for grading," said senate member John Allison. "We owe our students a careful evaluation."

Allison also pointed out the amount of assignments faculty deal with at the end of a term.

"Many critical papers and tests are completed during the last week of school," Allison said.

Hencken explained the process

of determining the academic calendar to the faculty senate.

"A committee was set up 40 years ago to deal with the calendar," Hencken said. "We would start at Christmas, count back 16 weeks to determine the fall semester, then count ahead 16 weeks to determine the spring."

Hencken also explained how the committee determined breaks within the semester.

"Spring break used to be at the end of March," Hencken said. "The committee wanted it closer to midterms to avoid 'cabin fever.'"

To accomplish this, the committee decided to have spring break seven weeks after the spring semester starts, according to Hencken.

Many senate members felt that the week-long fall break was too generous.

"A week-long Thanksgiving break is not sound educational practice," said senate member John Best.

Some of the solutions senate members suggested included having finals on Saturday, or taking a four-day break in October with a five-day, rather than nine-day, Thanksgiving break.

Hohengarten and Hencken also discussed what Eastern is doing to promote student affairs.

"As of last Thursday, it is now possible to apply to Eastern online," Hohengarten said. "We are currently working on having the capability to allow students to register on the Web."

Another method Hohengarten mentioned to enhance student interest in Eastern was busing faculty members to Chicago to speak to high school guidance counselors about understanding the needs of freshmen.

Hohengarten also suggested making Eastern students available for phone calls from potential incoming students.

Powell tells students to learn from experience

By Christine Demma
Staff writer

Eastern students, faculty and staff Wednesday participated in a discussion with retired Gen. Colin Powell, who spoke with students nationwide live via satellite.

Powell discussed the importance of core values, duty, honor, leadership and integrity and their effect on his career as a company grade officer in the U.S. Army.

The telecast was interactive and audience members could ask questions by fax, e-mail, telephone and studio audience.

Powell also spoke about his experiences and challenges of the military, the value of the military and the Reserve Officer Training

Corps program, said Lt. Col. Larry Sefren, professor of military science.

Powell said his most rewarding moment in the Army was when he commanded the company with the absence of the commander. Powell said he got through it with the help of everyone in the company and created a bond with those soldiers.

In the 35 years of being in the Army, Powell said he did not see the career as having a best or worst day.

"Take all experiences, good and bad, as one great rush of experience," Powell said.

Powell's said any cadet is entering into the most open institution in American society, and no one is denied from the military if he or she is willing to work at it and become successful, he said.

Powell said he considered himself a situational leader, working one-on-one with soldiers.

Leaders know how to support hopes and help lead soldiers, Powell said.

"I have tried not to lead a screaming environment; I lead a group in a collegiate way," Powell said.

Powell was a 1958 graduate of New York City College and because of racial attitude, his opportunities were limited — except in the military, where he reached the highest rank obtainable, Sefren said.

"We're trying to enhance the academic environment by bringing speakers or having teleconferences to promote the image of military and improving what is important to the country," Sefren said.

world inbrief

Survey finds flaws in student athlete heart screenings

CHICAGO (AP) — Many campus screening programs aimed at detecting dangerous heart problems in college athletes use doctors without cardiac training and fail to ask key questions about family history, a survey of more than 800 NCAA schools found.

The screening is designed to disqualify afflicted athletes and prevent sudden deaths like the one suffered by college basketball star Hank Gathers of Loyola-Marymount University, who collapsed and died from a heart ailment during a 1990 game.

Though such deaths are extremely rare, "They're sensational and create a great deal of anxiety among athletes, among parents, among school officials," said Dr. William B. Strong, a professor of pediatric cardiology at the Medical College of Georgia who helped write the American Heart Association's screening guidelines for athletes.

Protein deposits may contribute to Alzheimer's

CHICAGO (AP) — A new study supports the notion that certain protein deposits found in the brains of Alzheimer's victims are a cause of the mind-robbing disease, and not

just a symptom, researchers say.

Autopsies on 79 nursing home patients confirmed that beta-amyloid protein plays a role in the earliest stages of Alzheimer's — even before symptoms of dementia appear, the researchers reported in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

Sticky plaques of beta-amyloid in the brain and tangles of a protein known as tau inside brain nerve fibers are two of the distinguishing features of Alzheimer's, which affects more than 4 million Americans.

Scientists disagree over which feature may play a more central role in the destruction of brain cells. And some believe that the plaques and tangles are actually markers left by nerve cells killed by some other unknown cause.

Miss America winners getting skinnier: report

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Miss America is getting skinnier and skinnier.

Using the heights and weights from most of the winners in the pageant's 78-year history, nutrition experts from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health concluded that many are in the undernourished range.

The research was published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

Dr. Benjamin Caballero, director of the Center for Human Nutrition at Johns Hopkins, said pageant officials should screen out contestants who are too skinny in order to "promote a message of healthiness."

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Illinois' significance in primaries fading

By Meghan McMahon
Editor-in-chief

Although the outcome of the presidential primary season has all but been decided, people casting their votes Tuesday still contributed something to the political process.

"There are usually other contested races (in the primary election) other than the presidential race, and (voting) is your opportunity to express yourself, to let your voice be heard," said Melinda Mueller, associate professor of political science.

The Illinois primary usually has a lot more bearing on the presidential election than it will this year, said Andrew McNitt, political science professor.

"The difference here is that there isn't too much going on in the Illinois primary now," McNitt said.

He said the lack of excitement in the presidential primary this year is because John McCain, former Republican presidential hopeful, and Bill Bradley, former Democratic presidential hopeful, have dropped out of the race.

"The only thing that would be news now is whether McCain or Bradley have enough support right now, and I don't really think that will be the case," McNitt said.

He said the Illinois primary used to be more important in the primary season, but because of the date of the primary, the importance has waned.

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"We are now a late primary given the way other states have changed their primary dates," McNitt said.

With regard to the presidential election, Illinois is considered a swing state, McNitt said. A swing state is "a state that can vote for either the Democratic or Republican party and can effect that outcome of the presidential election."

"Whoever has the best campaign will win (in a swing state)," he said.

Mueller said she expects both Al Gore and George W. Bush, the two remaining presidential candidates, to campaign hard in Illinois.

She also said the primary is not really a good indication of what the general election will bring with regard to local races because it is not until the general election that candidates from the two parties run against each other.

"There might not be competition between each party, but there might be a lot of competition between the Democrats and the Republicans," Mueller said.

18 percent of registered voters turn out for Tuesday's primary

By Julius Sexton
City editor

Voter turnout for primaries were extremely low as many students claimed they were unaware the polls were open at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and Carman Hall.

In all of Coles County, just under 18 percent of the registered voters came out to the polls Tuesday, with 5,065 of 28,328 registered voters casting their ballots.

Betty Coffrin, Coles County clerk, said that she was a little disappointed in the voter turnout.

"When you see the number of supplies and money spent, you'd like to see a better turnout than this," she said.

Coffrin said the cost for holding the primaries was between \$70,000 and \$80,000, which is more than other elections because of the number of ballots that have to be printed for both Republican and Democrat nominations.

Some students said although they didn't vote yesterday in the primaries, they will vote in the presidential election this fall.

Laura Sullivan, a junior psychology major, said even though she was aware of the primaries and yesterday's opening of the polls, she didn't vote for other reasons.

"I didn't have time to follow (the primaries)," she said. "I didn't want to pick just anyone."

Melissa Schaeffer, a sophomore early childhood education major, agrees with Sullivan and didn't follow the primaries either.

"I don't follow politics very much and I'm really not that interested in it," she said.

Frank Anderson, a senior economics major, said he didn't know that the polls were open yesterday.

"I was unaware of (the polls being open), they didn't advertise it very well," he said. "I will vote in the presidential election in the fall, though."



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New water meters top city council meeting

By Julius Sexton
City editor

City officials passed a bid awarding city vendors \$125,000 for treatment chemicals such as lime, chlorine and ammonia.

According to City Manager Bill Riebe, the chemicals are used in the treatment of water, both for drinking and waste.

A bid award in the amount of \$15,000 was awarded to Midwest Meter of Edinberg for "phase one" of the city's new semi-automated meter reading system.

Riebe said the new system will improve meter reading efficiency with determining how much water by the gallons is being used in houses in Charleston.

"(The new system) will be a lot more productive and efficient," he said. "With the current system, we have experienced a 7 percent loss in revenue."

He said new meters will allow inspectors to read the gauges more

easily during inclement weather.

"(The new meters) will give readings through a little ice and snow," he said.

The first phase of the project will involve the actual purchasing of the software needed, Riebe said. The other phases involve the installation of the meters in Charleston.

A resolution for a new four-year contract involving a 3.5 percent pay raise for the firefighters Local 3200 was passed.

The contract will begin on May 1 and expire on April 30, 2004.

Mayor Dan Cougill and city officials also honored the All-Area High School boys basketball team for their recent state championship.

"I would like to recognize an awful lot of hard work and dedication to the undefeated state champions," he said. "We're very proud of you for your outstanding achievements."

The basketball team was presented with awards for their performance during the season.

Ruppel to give State of the Senate address

By Christine Demma
Staff writer

Senate speaker Jeremy Ruppel will deliver his State of the Senate address at 7 p.m. tonight in the Arcola/Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Ruppel will speak about the past and future of student government.

In other business, senate will hear two special presentations, a bylaw change, two senate bills, approval of members to the Election Commission and the offi-

cial resignation of senate member Amanda Furlan.

Omicron Delta Kappa members will make a presentation for new members and Bill Riebe, Charleston city manager, will speak about Census 2000.

A bylaw changing the title of Minority Affairs to Diversity Affairs has been submitted by Sabrina Bowens, chair of the committee.

The Tuition and Fee Review Committee will submit a bill to senate for an increase in the technology fee by \$5, raising the fee to

\$33 per semester, for the 2001-2002 school year.

Also, the increase of the legal fee by \$1, raising the fee to \$4 per semester, will be submitted for the 2001-2002 school year.

Approvals of five people to the Election Commission will be discussed by Senate. The five include Margie Tucker, director of poll operations; Eddie Mahoney, director of legal affairs; Tiana Y. Thompson, director of eligibility; Shermann Thomas, director of planning; and Joe Geocaris, director of public affairs.

Workshop to tackle anger management

By Mike LaCoy
Staff writer

A Life Skills workshop Wednesday will teach students how to come to terms with and find appropriate outlets for their anger.

The workshop, "The Anger that Roars," will take place at 7 p.m. in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"The Anger that Roars" will help students discover

the source of their anger, learn how to deal with it productively and determine if it is a mask for some underlying anger, said Sandy Cox, director of the workshop.

"Anger is perfectly natural. It is the ways we react to anger that makes it bad," Cox said.

The workshop will be interactive, and students will be encouraged to find out their own individual triggers.

"Anyone can benefit from this workshop because anger is something that all of us deal with on a day-to-day basis," Cox said.

Play to showcase talents of women in theater department

By Michelle Jones
Staff editor

A play about gossipy southern women in a small town beauty parlor that aims to touch the emotions of the audience members will begin Thursday.

"Steel Magnolias," a play written by Robert Harling, is about "people finding

courage to face the adversity of life and go on," said Clarence Blanchette, director.

The play will be performed at 8 p.m. March 30 through April 1, at 3 p.m. April 1 and at 2 p.m. April 2 in the Theatre of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

High school- and college-aged individuals will appreciate the play, Blanchette said. The older people are, the more they will

appreciate the play because they are able to understand and relate to the experiences and tragedies in the play, he said.

Blanchette decided to have "Steel Magnolias" be performed because it is a play with popular appeal and because the play's cast is comprised entirely of women.

"We wanted to give the women in the department an opportunity to perform

because there are more women than men in the department," Blanchette said.

Theater is about people relating to people, Blanchette said.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and faculty and \$3.50 for students. Tickets can be reserved from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and one hour before performances by calling 581-3110.


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SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MANAGEMENT. Meeting on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6pm in Lumpkin Hall 029. All business majors are welcome.

STUDENT SENATE. Meeting on 3-22-00 at 7pm in Arcola/Tuscola Room. Think we don't listen? Come, and we will!

EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA. Business meeting on March 22, 2000 at 5:30pm in Charleston/Mattoon Rm of the Union. Sportathon money due today.

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION. Special Olympics Volunteers on Friday, March 24, 2000 by 4:30pm in 1212 Buzzard Hall (Department of Special Education). Be sure to turn your volunteer form in to help with Special Olympics April 28, 2000 from 7:30am to 2:30pm. Forms are due in 1212 Buzzard Hall by 4:30pm on 3/24/00.

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NEWMAN CATHOLIC CENTER. Mass on Wednesday, March 22 at 9pm in the St. Philip Neri Chapel located at the Newman Center across from Andrews hall.

CAMPUS BIBLE STUDY. Bible study on 03-22-00 at 12 noon in Chick'Fil'A North Exit Glass Room. Acts 7 this week, all invited.

SAFCS- FAMILY SERVICES/TEACHER CERT. Meeting on March 22 at 6pm in KH 313. Learn about various aspects of the Crisis Pregnancy Center.

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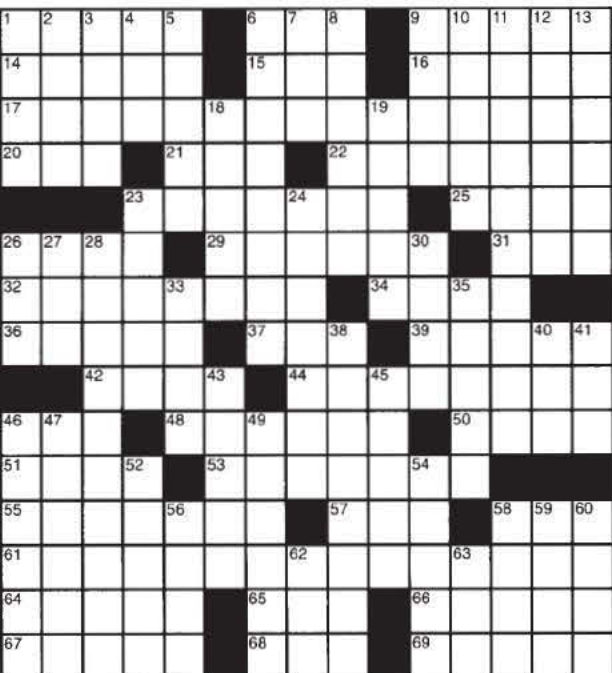
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Healed from injuries, tennis team ready for TSU

By Troy Hinkel
Staff writer

After taking the past two weeks off to allow time for injuries to heal, Eastern's tennis team has only two days of practice before traveling to Evansville, Ind., to take on Ohio Valley Conference foe Tennessee State today.

The meet will mark the beginning of the spring season for the women and the men as the teams will hope to make a quick impact in the OVC.

"I would say that we are close to 100 percent after the break," head coach Michael Hunt said. "Hopefully that will help us get off to a quick start."

Despite the time taken off, the team should be physically ready because of the steady practice time prior to the two

week lay-off in addition to the last couple of days of practice in preparation for the meet.

"We have not had a whole lot of time to prepare since the break, but we have been working on our fundamentals and we will start working on match play skills and hopefully we will get our intensity level up to play competitively," Hunt said.

In its last meets of the fall, the men's team was able to defeat Illinois-Springfield 7-2 on March 3, while the injury-plagued women's team lost to Northern Arizona 9-0 on March 5.

"Last year neither of their (Tennessee State) teams were very strong, but other coaches that have seen them this year have said that they are improved," Hunt said.

"I expect both teams will be very competitive with

us."

For the men, the meet with the Tigers will mark the start of eight matches in 12 days, with the longest break being only two days as they have stops in Tennessee, Indiana and Iowa along with a few matches at home.

"Our schedule is pretty crazy and it will be a real test for our guys to stay sharp and healthy during that span," Hunt said.

The women will have a week off before they start their toughest string of matches and play five matches in eight days.

"It will be a very hectic but exciting time for both teams, and if we can get on a roll and get some key wins, then we will be in the right position going into the OVC tournament," Hunt said.

Ruthhart

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picked Duke and Tennessee to win.

It's been a frustrating March full of madness for many who have seen their brackets busted and there have been a few common demoninators throughout the 2000 tournament.

Teams resting on the shoulders of one individual haven't journeyed far into the tournament without that one key big man. Auburn depended highly on Chris Porter, Arizona on Loren Woods and Cincinnati on Kenyon Martin.

And when each of those teams saw that big man go down, their tournament hopes went down with them.

The other key to the tournament so far has been three-point shooting.

There were nine second round upsets and many of those Cinderella wins came on clutch three-point shooting, or lack thereof.

Florida made 10 more three-pointers than Illinois, goodbye Illini.

Stanford went just 6-of-22 from three-point land, see ya Cardinal.

Seton Hall's back-up guard Ty Shine was money from downtown, hitting 7-of-11 threes, adios Temple.

Gonzaga knocked down one big three after another and Matt Santangelo was 6-of-10 from beyond the arc, bye bye St. John's.

UCLA hit 14-of-25 trifectas, take a hike Maryland.

Oklahoma hit just two three pointers in 20 shots against Purdue, we'll see ya later, not "Sooner."

The teams that can withstand the barrages of threes, while hitting some of their own, will be the teams that reach the Final Four.

And that's true of the two Final Four sho0-ins.

Duke hit just 2-of-19 three pointers against Kansas, but still managed to pull out the win - that is why they are a Final Four team.

Michigan State contained Utah from beyond the arc while hitting big three-pointers, including four in the second half from Mateen Cleaves - and that's why they'll make the trip to Indianapolis.

So, as chaos continues to break out in Bracketville and my bracket continues to blow up, one thing will remain constant.

The Cinderellas that hit the threes might make the finals, but it won't be enough to compete against Duke and Michigan State.

The Spartans will still drop the Dukies on April 3, and my bracket, along with many others, will still maintain what dignity is still left.

Panthers

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ting average so far this year and also leads the Sycamores in RBIs with 13 in just 17 games.

"He is definitely a power hitter for them," Schmitz said. "We will try and be careful when we pitch to him because he's very aggressive and he will jump all over a mistake."

Eastern will bring some offensive firepower of their own into the game with centerfielder Bob VanHoorebeck setting the pace for the Panthers. The junior brings in a team-high .341 batting average while leading the team in hits, stolen bases and runs.

"The big thing with Bob is that he is a different type of lead-off hitter for us," Schmitz said. "He was one of the guys who like to swing instead of tak-

ing pitches. He can start us off with a double, triple or a homer at any time."

Chris Martin has helped out VanHoorebeck on the offensive end. Despite hitting just .250 on the season he has hit two home runs and has six RBIs.

"Chris had a good weekend for us this past weekend," Schmitz said. "We have been looking for Chris to do that all year and he finally did this weekend."

Indiana State will bring in a solid pitching staff to try and combat the Panther offense.

Although he is 0-1 so far this year, Micheal Black has compiled a 1.86 ERA coming into Wednesday's game.

"They have a new pitching coach over there and that has made them real aggressive," Schmitz said. "They don't walk a lot of people and they will go right after you."

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The batting average Middle Tennessee's OVC Player of the Week Jeff Parsons hit last week. Parsons was 7-for 13 on the week with three doubles, six runs scored, and two RBI's.

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The ERA of Eastern Kentucky's Nic Lively in two games last week. Lively's performances earned him OVC Pitcher of the Week honors. Lively allowed just two hits in 6.2 innings of work.

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The place where Southeast Missouri's softball team is picked to finish in the OVC this season.

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The number of games Tennessee-Martin's baseball team has competed in already this season. The Skyhawks, however, are just 4-18 overall on the season. In comparison, Eastern's baseball team has only competed in an OVC-low of 13 games.

Golden Eagle run ends in first round

By Kristin Rojek
Associate sports editor

After dominating the Ohio Valley Conference with a 16-2 record, the Tennessee Tech women's basketball team headed to the NCAA tournament seeded 14th, but lost in the first round battle to No. 6 Texas Tech 83-54.

Although the score indicates Texas Tech's domination, Tennessee Tech head coach Bill Worrell believes otherwise.

"(Texas Tech) was just fantastic," Worrell said. "We made a couple of mini runs and cut the score to 10 or 12, but they got away from us in the end."

The tourney appearance marked the 10th for Worrell in his coaching career, but last year was Tech's first trip into the tournament since 1993 when it lost 74-48 to Old Dominion.

Tennessee Tech's first round experience was similar to what many OVC teams experienced this season on the court against the Golden Eagles. Tech was held to just 35.2 percent shooting (well below their season average of 46.4 percent) while scoring leaders Misty Garrett, Rachael Gobble and Alison Clark, who has been dealing with an injury, were all held to a combined three points.

"They played a very physical game with their perimeter people, which hurt us," Worrell said. "But you expect to be held down below normal, but we expect to



Mandy Marshall/ Photo editor

A member of Tennessee Tech's women's basketball team dribbles the ball away from Eastern's Renee Schaul. Tech went on to win the OVC and make an appearance in the NCAA tournament.

do something to take away from their game as well."

Tennessee Tech had high hopes heading into the NCAA tournament after winning the OVC tourney, especially considering Texas Tech suffered an 18 point loss to the University of Texas in the Big 12 conference

tournament.

"We felt we had better chances and better opportunities, but the games are so physical and playing a team (at Texas Tech's) home was our biggest disadvantage," Worrell said. "Home is a much better atmosphere. But Texas Tech just treats

you really great."

Advancing to the NCAA tournament takes time and effort put into the season, which Worrell will be advancing for next season.

"I found that in my experience in 10 NCAA tournaments, once that year is over you schedule good teams for next year because when you play better teams you have better opportunities," he said. "You need an understanding to achieve success."

"The NCAA is a whole different season and it was a one-game season, so we have the opportunity to realize what it takes to be at the next level that other teams in our conference don't," he said.

The Golden Eagles have already scheduled games against nationally-ranked teams from Memphis, Illinois, Indiana and Las Vegas. And with four starters returning to Tennessee Tech's line-up, the Golden Eagles are sure to be a dominating force in the OVC again next season.

"At our level of conference, we need the opportunity to play better teams," Worrell said.

"It does our conference well to pool against each other and I certainly pool for Eastern's team."

"There are so many good teams playing in America now - there used to be just 50 really good teams and now there are 150 really good teams, so to get better you have to play better teams."

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Bulls send Starks packing

CHICAGO (AP) — John Starks wanted to leave the Chicago Bulls so badly he offered to give up his salary for a chance to join a team headed to the playoffs.

It didn't quite work out that way. After arbitrator Roger Kaplan ruled Tuesday on his unique request, Starks got out of Chicago and he'll get to keep his paycheck, but he's not going to the playoffs.

Kaplan said Starks could forfeit the remainder of his salary and leave under a mutual agreement with the Bulls. But he denied a request for Starks' release to be retroactive to the March 1 playoff roster deadline.

Shortly after the ruling, the Bulls waived Starks anyhow and general manager Jerry Krause said they would pay the veteran guard the remainder of his contract, about

\$700,000.

A source who spoke on the condition of anonymity said Starks decided if he wasn't going to the playoffs, he wanted his money. The Bulls just wanted to end the relationship.

"I know John still has some basketball left in him," Krause said. "Our young players have to be on the court. They are the future of this franchise, and John certainly is not."

Starks wasn't immediately reachable for comment. His agent, Leigh Steinberg, did not return a phone call.

Kaplan's ruling, based on a provision in the new collective bargaining agreement that deals with mutual termination of player contracts, could have an effect next season.

Players and teams will be able to mutually agree to amend contracts by reducing or eliminating guaranteed

payments after Jan. 10, players' union spokesman Dan Wasserman said.

"The league will no longer be able to use the Jan. 10 date to force teams to make guaranteed payments in order to limit player movement," Wasserman said.

Jan. 10 is the date on which contracts are guaranteed for the season.

"The key issue for us was making sure that guys were not able to go to playoffs teams after March 1. That's the key thing," NBA lawyer Rick Buchanan said.

"The critical issue was to preserve the competitive balance of the league by enforcing our March 1 playoff deadline," he added.

"This is a really small thing. The case has gotten blown up to bigger proportions because John Starks is a known player."

national sports inbrief

Niedermayer receives 10-game suspension

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The NHL issued a zero-tolerance policy against irresponsible use of the stick on Tuesday, suspending New Jersey Devils defenseman Scott Niedermayer for 10 games for hitting Florida's Peter Worrell over the helmet with his stick.

The ruling, which will sideline Niedermayer through the Devils' first playoff game, comes a month after Boston defenseman Marty McSorley was suspended for the final 23 games of the regular season for hitting Vancouver's Donald Brashear on the side of the head with a two-handed swing.

McSorley's punishment was the harshest in NHL history but even that could not repair the embarrassment the league suffered from the attack in which Brashear received a serious concussion that sidelined him for the season.

While Niedermayer's attack against Worrell late in Sunday's game against the Panthers didn't seem as vicious as McSorley's blindside hit on Brashear, he was assessed a match penalty for attempting to injure. The league then showed on Tuesday it was not going to tolerate it, even from a usually mild-mannered player.

back and will be idled the rest of the season, team officials said Tuesday.

Blackhawks manager of hockey operations Mike Smith said Daze was scheduled to undergo the surgery Wednesday morning.

Daze had been sidelined since March 5 with what were originally believed to be back spasms, but Smith said a further examination revealed the more serious problem.

Daze will be the third Blackhawk to undergo herniated disc surgery this season. Both Eddie Olczyk and Mark Janssens have already had similar operations.

In 59 games for the Blackhawks this season, Daze had 23 goals and 13 assists for 36 points.

Report says Belfour attempted to pay off officers

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Stars goalie Eddie Belfour was cantankerous and uncooperative during his recent arrest at a fashionable Dallas hotel, spitting, kicking and ultimately offering to buy off police, according to the arrest report.

The hockey player first offered Dallas police officers \$100,000, then \$1 billion, if they would not jail him in connection with a scuffle earlier this month at a hotel.

Belfour "was placed in the rear seat of the vehicle and was seatbelted when he began attempting to lay down in the seat and putting his cowboy boots on the radio console," the report said. Shortly afterward, Belfour "threw up all over his chest."

Officers apparently struggled to control Belfour, who was jerking and spitting much of the time. His ankles were eventually secured by a pair of cuffs, but he continued jerking. His movements injured one of the officers, hyperextending his thumb.

Blackhawks lose Daze for remainder of season

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago Blackhawks forward Eric Daze needs surgery to repair a herniated disc in his

Scoreboard

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Today
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Wednesday
2 p.m. - Baseball vs Indiana State (at Monier Field)

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Atlantic Division

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Miami	42	24	—
New York	40	25	1.5
Philadelphia	38	28	4.0
Orlando	32	36	11.0
Boston	30	37	12.5
New Jersey	28	37	13.5
Washington	23	45	20.0

Central Division

	W	L	GB
Indiana	46	21	—
Toronto	39	26	6.0
Charlotte	35	31	10.5
Detroit	33	32	12.0
Milwaukee	31	36	15.0
Cleveland	26	40	19.5
Atlanta	24	41	21.0
Chicago	13	53	32.5

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	GB
x-Utah	44	21	—
San Antonio	42	24	2.5
Minnesota	39	26	5.0
Dallas	28	38	16.5
Denver	27	39	17.5
Houston	24	43	21.0
Vancouver	18	49	27.0

Pacific Division

	W	L	GB
x-L.A. Lakers	56	12	—
x-Portland	50	16	5.0
Phoenix	43	23	12.0
Seattle	40	27	15.5
Sacramento	38	27	16.5
Golden State	17	49	38.0
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New Jersey at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Portland, 9 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Milwaukee at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 8 p.m.

NHL

W L T Pts
x-New Jersey 41 24 8 95
Philadelphia 38 22 12 90
Pittsburgh 30 34 8 74
Boston 30 34 8 74
N.Y. Rangers 29 34 11 72
N.Y. Islanders 21 43 8 51

Central Division
W L T Pts
Toronto 40 25 7 90
Ottawa 35 25 11 83
Montreal 31 34 8 73
Buffalo 30 34 10 73
Boston 22 33 17 67

Southwest Division
W L T Pts
Washington 39 23 11 90
Florida 37 30 5 84
Carolina 30 32 10 70
Tampa Bay 17 46 8 49
Atlanta 13 51 6 36

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division
W L T Pts
x-St. Louis 46 17 9 101
x-Detroit 43 22 8 96
Chicago 28 36 8 66
Nashville 26 40 7 66

Northwest Division
W L T Pts
Colorado 34 29 11 80

Edmonton 27 30 16 78
Vancouver 26 33 14 74
Calgary 29 36 8 71

Pacific Division
W L T Pts
x-Dallas 40 25 8 92
Los Angeles 34 29 9 81
Phoenix 35 29 7 79
San Jose 30 34 9 76
Anaheim 30 31 12 74

x-dinched playoff berth
Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.

Today's Games
St. Louis at Carolina, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Montreal at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Calgary at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Florida at Boston, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE
W L
Oakland 14 3
Toronto 11 7
Tampa Bay 12 8
Minnesota 12 10
Baltimore 9 8
Detroit 10 9
Texas 10 9
Chicago 12 12
Cleveland 10 10
Anaheim 9 12
Kansas City 9 12
Seattle 7 10
Boston 7 12
New York 5 17

NATIONAL LEAGUE
W L
Arizona 15 6

Montreal 12 6
Houston 12 7
Pittsburgh 11 7
San Diego 11 7
St. Louis 12 8
Chicago 12 9
Philadelphia 12 9
New York 13 10
Cincinnati 9 9
Atlanta 11 12
Florida 7 13
San Francisco 12 12
Colorado 6 13
Milwaukee 6 14
Los Angeles 4 15

(NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings, ties do not; games against non-major league teams do not.)

Today's Games
Los Angeles vs. Montreal
Minnesota vs. Pittsburgh
Cincinnati vs. Boston
Atlanta vs. Cleveland
Houston vs. Tampa Bay
Colorado vs. Arizona
Chicago Cubs vs. San Francisco
Milwaukee (ss) vs. Seattle
Chicago White Sox vs. Oakland
Philadelphia vs. Toronto
Baltimore vs. New York Mets

COLLEGE

Baseball
OVC Standings

Eastern Kentucky 3-0 8-10
Middle Tennessee 2-0 10-9
Murray State 2-0 5-14
SE Missouri 1-1 13-5
Eastern 1-1 3-10
Morehead State 0-0 9-7
Tennessee Tech 0-2 9-9
Tennessee-Martin 0-2 4-18
Austin Peay 0-3 13-8

Today's Games
Austin Peay at Evansville
Indiana State at Eastern
Westminster at SE Missouri

Christian Brothers at Murray State
Saint Louis at Tennessee-Martin
Tennessee Tech at Belmont
Middle Tennessee at UAB
Eastern Kentucky at Georgia Tech

Top 25
Record Pts

1. Stanford 16-6 2
2. Florida St. 25-4 1
3. South Carolina 22-1 5
4. Texas 22-5 4
5. Houston 19-7 7
6. Arizona St. 24-6 9
7. Clemson 19-3 10
8. Cal. St.-Fullerton 13-7 11
9. North Carolina 21-3 3
10. La-Lafayette 21-1 15
11. Auburn 23-6 13
12. Mississippi St. 18-8 21
13. Nevada 18-8 20
14. Miami, Fla. 19-8 16
15. LSU 15-8 18
16. Baylor 18-8 7
17. Alabama 16-9 8
18. Long Beach St. 16-6 14
19. Wichita St. 9-4 19
20. Southern Cal 14-9 12
21. Georgia Tech 15-6 —
22. Wake Forest 17-7 —
23. Fresno St. 20-7 17
24. Georgia 15-6 —
25. East Carolina 20-5 22

Softball
OVC Standings

Eastern 2-0 8-14
Middle Tennessee 0-0 16-10
Morehead State 0-0 9-11
Tennessee Tech 0-0 13-16
SE Missouri 0-0 7-9
Tennessee-Martin 0-0 3-5
Eastern Kentucky 0-0 4-16
Tennessee State 0-0 2-17
Austin Peay 0-2 6-19

Today's Game
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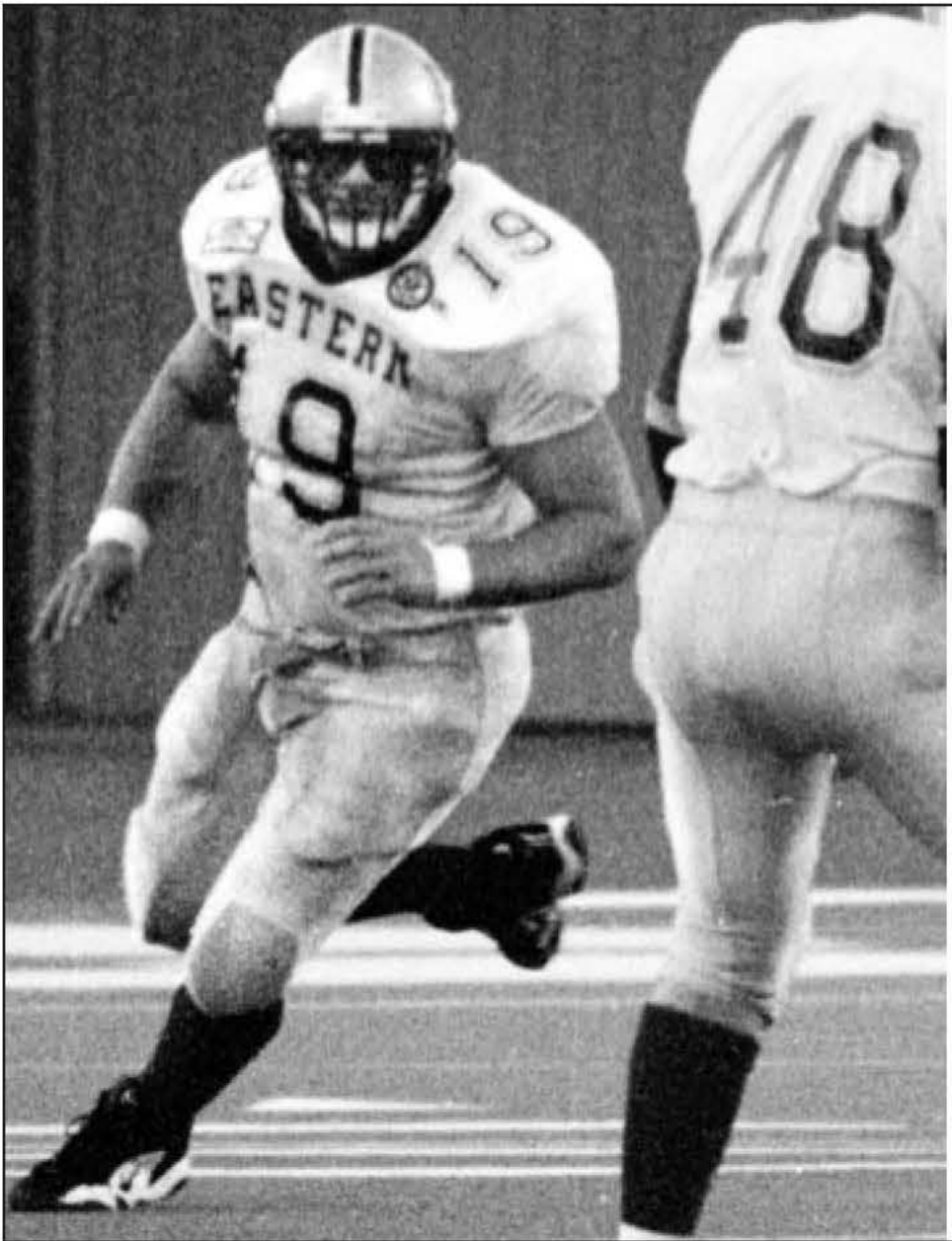
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Willingham's dream still alive



David Pump/ Staff photographer

Former Eastern tight end Seth Willingham runs a route in a game at Central Michigan this past fall. Willingham missed all but two games last season and has recovered from knee surgery to have a chance to make an NFL camp this fall.

Former Panther tight end confident in chances of making an NFL camp

By Kyle Bauer
Sports editor

Before the 1999 football season began, Seth Willingham was being called the team's best pro prospect. But only two games into the season Willingham suffered a torn ACL and was forced to the sidelines for the remainder of the season.

The senior tight end is now working hard to prove that he is still the same pro prospect he was before knee surgery.

"So far so good," Willingham said of his progress. "I would say it (the knee) is about 90 percent and I am cleared to do everything."

Willingham has been taking full advantage of his clearance by training and attending combines in preparation for the April 15 NFL draft.

"I went to Champaign for a combine and there were seven scouts there for that," he said.

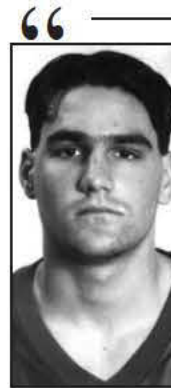
"Thursday Jacksonville is coming for a personal workout and I have an All-Star game coming up on April 8."

That All-Star game will be Willingham's last opportunity to show off in front of professional scouts. And with the game being held only one week before the draft, it will provide Willingham a perfect opportunity to improve his stock and achieve his ultimate goal.

"All I want is the opportunity to show I can play," he said.

"I would give anything. Last year was hard enough. This is like a dream come true. I came into college just hoping to get recruited. To get a chance to even be considered for the next level is a dream come true."

Willingham transferred to Eastern in



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Former Eastern tight end Seth Willingham, on the opportunity to play in the NFL

1995 after attending Milford Prep School in Connecticut, where he played quarterback. Willingham redshirted his first year at Eastern and then moved to tight end. In 1998 he earned First Team All-OVC honors as a tight end.

Willingham is now ready to do whatever it takes, even if it means once again changing positions.

"They are still talking about possibly moving me to a pulling guard," Willingham said.

"To do that I would have to gain 20 pounds, but it doesn't matter to me. I will go into camp as a tight end and then do whatever they want me to do."

Willingham now has less than a month and only a handful of opportunities left to prove he is still pro material. In the meantime, Willingham will just have to play the waiting game.

"Tight ends usually don't get picked until the later rounds, but I think I will definitely get drafted or sign as a free agent," he said. "But I will be in camp somewhere."

Chaos breaks out in Bracketville

It was well Friday night in Bracketville. The first round of the men's NCAA basketball tournament had come to a close and I glanced at my bracket with a grin on my face.

I had picked all of the first round games correctly with the exception of two. I had Fresno State over Wisconsin and Indiana beating Pepperdine, but hey, I was still in great shape.

In fact, I've spent numerous hours over the past several years, competing in pools and penciling in brackets, and my first round total this year by far surpassed my showings in past years.

But then Saturday came and all hell broke loose. After picking 30 of the first 32 tournament games correctly, I saw my stellar bracket dreams drift away like a dead goldfish spinning slowly around the toilet bowl while being flushed to a "better place."

Saturday started well enough. Arizona went down to Wisconsin, and I had picked the Wildcats to lose in the second round, although it wasn't to the Badgers. But then all I could

Sudden Death



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do was sit and watch as one after another of my picks slowly received the kiss of death from the Porcelain Goddess.

LSU beat Texas. Purdue beat Oklahoma. Gonzaga beat St. John's. And then I found myself 0-4 in the West Regional. I did briefly receive some salvation on Saturday, correctly picking Michigan St., Syracuse, UCLA and Iowa State to win. But then Sunday came and the toilet kept flushing over and over again.

Florida beat Illinois, Oklahoma State won, Seton Hall sent Temple packing, North Carolina defeated Stanford, Miami beat Ohio St. and Cincinnati lost to Tulsa. Hey, at least I

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Baseball team takes break from OVC to take on Indiana State

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Eastern closer Mike Zirolu follow through on a pitch while throwing sets in the bullpen at practice earlier this season. Zirolu and Eastern host Indiana St. today.

Eastern's baseball team will take a short break from Ohio Valley Conference action today as they take on non-conference opponent Indiana State 2 p.m. at Monier Field.

The game will be a tune-up for Murray State, who the Panthers will take on this weekend in conference action.

Despite playing a tough schedule this season, the Sycamores have lost four of their last six, and have had three consecutive losses at one point.

"We've played some of the same competition this season and we know each other real well," Eastern skipper Jim Schmitz said. "But they are a real young team that is trying to find itself right now. They are a very well coached team, and it is going to depend on who gets the better pitching."

The Panther pitching staff, which has been very inconsistent of late, will have their hands full with a Sycamore offense that has five players hitting over .315 on the season.

Leading the charge on offense for Indiana State is right fielder Dustin James, who has compiled a .358 bat-

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